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**Basic Background**

I have always considered myself a traveler, from young to now I have moved a total of 12 times. I have lived in climates from arid Utah, to humid New York, along with several other states. Through this whole phase of moving growing up I hated it, strictly because I would always make friends and then as soon as I was settled in they were ripped from my grasp. Now that I’m older I see that this struggle, later in my life has given me a heightened ability of socializing to pretty much every type of person, an ability not a lot of people possess. I also have an amazing relationship with my mother, I can easily say she is my best friend in which I share everything with and I wouldn’t ask for it to be any other way. I have never met my Bio-logical father, he happened the skip out before I was born. Although I had this father figure absent my mother did more than a good job of bringing me up and I don’t think I was negatively affected by not having a father, rather he would’ve been a poor example on my life. Although sad, I have never let it cripple me, but yet let it fuel my passion for being a better person.

**Interests and Hobbies**

Sports have always been a very large part of my life, I have played just about every sport there was to play. I started with soccer, which is a good starter sport for no matter what type of sport lover you end up becoming, this is because it gives you that basic conditioning in which can be applied to all sports. I played football and baseball for a short amount of time, I didn’t have much of an interest in either of them. Attending high school In New York, Lacrosse was the biggest sport right next to Hockey, which is unusual for most considering most high schools focus on football, baseball, or soccer. My main interest was lacrosse, a very rough and physical sport, that requires you to think very quickly and to know the plays by heart, if you didn’t you were quickly punished. One day I had a friend mention the sport to me so I tried out for the team, I had made it and quickly fell in love with the sport. I was good too, good enough to the point that I was JV captain as a freshman, along with starting on varsity as a sophomore. I had some default senior enemies, based on the fact that I started over them, this never turned me away from playing but only encouraged me to compete harder for the sport. While playing for my high school I got the opportunity to travel to the top and bottom of the east coast. My lacrosse career ended when playing in the biggest game of the year against our rival school for the section finals. In this game, I was cheap shot and got hit from behind resulting the disqualification of that player for the rest of the year, along with my hip being blown out to the point where I almost needed serious hip surgery. Although I miss the sport every day and wish I could still compete, I put my health first and got on with my life.

Hand and hand with being an athlete, I am a tech geek. I have as large of a passion for video games and technology as I do for sports. Since a young boy I have played video games and still do to this day, often used as an escape to everyday reality. I think the learning factor from video games is underrated and should be in my opinion in more upbringings of kid’s lives. My passion for gaming quickly morphed into a passion for building, programing, and assembling computers. Around the prime age of my obsession with computers, the one I had wanted was very expensive, and my parents were simply just not going to get it for me. So, I sought out everything in the computer that made it great, the fast processer, the fancy graphics card, high-tech cooling systems, etc. Instead of buying the factory made over priced computer, I built my own. After testing my Frankenstein and comparing it, to the so called best on the market computer, mine blew past the performance of the professionally made PC. This only ensuring my love for computers.